

CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE



Biography

Vivek Viswanathan

Vivek Viswanathan serves as Chief Deputy Director for Budget at the Department of Finance.

Prior to his appointment in January 2019, Mr. Viswanathan served as a special consultant to the Governor's transition team, with a focus on budget development. He previously served as a special advisor in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. from 2017 to 2018 and as a policy advisor on Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign from 2015 to 2016, where he focused on issues related to higher education, health care, civil rights, and civic engagement. He was a candidate for California State Treasurer in 2018.

Mr. Viswanathan earned a BA from Harvard University, an MPhil from the University of Cambridge, a JD from Stanford Law School, and an MBA from the Stanford Graduate School of Business. He lives in Sacramento.